

SUMMARY: This order withdraws 270 acres of public land from surface entry and mining for a period of 50 years to protect important paleontological resource values that were recently discovered on Big Cedar Ridge near Ten Sleep. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 30, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Booth, BLM Wyoming State Office, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003, 307-775-6124.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public land is hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, for the Bureau of Land Management to protect important paleontological resource values:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 45 N., R. 89 W.,

sec. 16, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 28, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 33, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of lands under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

3. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: October 21, 1997.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Illinois

The plat, in four sheets, of the dependent resurvey of a portion of U.S. Survey No. 578, and the survey of the Locks and Dam No. 27 acquisition boundary, Township 3 North, Ranges 9 and 10 West, Third Principal Meridian, Illinois, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on December 1, 1997.

The survey was requested by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be sent to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to 7:30 a.m., December 1, 1997.

Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the reproduction fee of \$2.75 per copy.

Dated: October 21, 1997.

Stephen G. Kopach,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation 332-386]

Macadamia Nuts: Economic and Competitive Conditions Affecting the U.S. Industry

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 23, 1997.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on September 15, 1997, of a request from the Senate Committee on Finance (Committee), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-386, Macadamia Nuts: Economic and Competitive Conditions Affecting the U.S. Industry, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)), for the purpose of providing a report on factors affecting trade between the United States and major world markets for macadamia nuts. As requested by the Committee, the Commission's report on the investigation will include the following information:

(1) A description of the competitive factors affecting the domestic macadamia nut industry, including competition from imports of macadamia nuts;

(2) To the extent data are available, a description of the prices U.S. consumers pay for macadamia nuts compared with the prices paid for macadamia nuts by consumers in other major markets for macadamia nuts, and a description of the degree to which quotas, tariffs, or other trade barriers affect such prices;

(3) A description of the extent to which trade practices and barriers to trade by other competing countries are impeding the marketing of domestically produced macadamia nuts; and

(4) An analysis of current conditions of trade in macadamia nuts between the United States and macadamia nut exporting countries (in particular, Australia, Brazil, South Africa, and the Central American countries) and between the exporting countries and the rest of the world, as well as any recent changes in such conditions, including information on prices, cost of production, marketing practices, and market shares of foreign suppliers in the U.S. market.

As requested by the Committee, the Commission will submit the results of its investigation by September 30, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information on industry aspects may be obtained from Stephen Burket, Office of Industries (202-205-3318) or John Reeder, Office of Industries (202-205-3319); and legal aspects, from William Gearhart, Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1820). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202-205-1810).

Public Hearings

Public hearings in connection with the investigation will be held in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, and in Washington, DC.

Hawaii hearing.—The hearing will be held at King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel, 75-5660 Palani Road, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 1998. Requests to appear at the public hearing in Kailua-Kona should be filed with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, no later than 5:15 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) March 11, 1998. Persons testifying at the hearing are encouraged to file prehearing briefs or statements; the deadline for filing such briefs or statements (a signed original and 14 copies) is March 13, 1998. The deadline